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Friends of the Library Spring Trip

On **Saturday**, **April 17**, **2010**, the Friends of the Library is holding a bus trip to see "The Sunshine Boys", a Neil Simon comedy, at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse in Hampton, NJ. The trip also includes lunch and a dessert buffet.



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Tickets are \$60.00, which includes transportation, lunch and the show.

The bus will be departing 9:30 am sharp from the library. Lunch is served at 11:00 am and the show is 2:00 pm. The playhouse complex also houses shopping and a delicious bakery.

Space is limited and tickets must be purchased by March 1, 2010. If you wish to purchase tickets or would like more information please contact the office of the director.

Library Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Upcoming Holiday Closings

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24
Early Close 1 pm

Christmas Day December 25

New Year's Eve, Dec. 31
Early Close 5 pm

New Year's Day January 1

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 18

> Lincoln's Birthday February 12

Presidents' Day February 15

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The library invites you to follow us on Twitter, Facebook and our new RSS feed. When you get a tweet, fan message, or our feed, you'll get first notice of programs

happening at the library. You'll also get insider tips on how to access our online resources, notice of new books and DVDs, and much more! Our RSS feed, Twitter and Facebook links are found on our new and improved website at http://secaucus.bccls.org.

Not sure what all this means?

Twitter and Facebook are social networking websites that connect people together. Those who subscribe to Twitter receive "tweets", 140 character or less messages about anything the sender wishes to write about. The library tweets about programs, great new books and resources. Those who are on Facebook, connect with friends, family, colleagues, organizations, schools and interest groups. Members post messages and their friends or fans can comment back.

Our RSS (really simple syndication) feed gives you the ability to receive automatic updates on new programs and events happening at the library. They appear automatically in your RSS feeder. Some good readers can be found at: www.google.com/reader www.rssreader.com

If you have questions or would like assistance signing up for a Twitter, cebook or our RSS feed, please contact the reference department.



Programs for Adults



Carolyn Enger Sunday, December 6 @ 2 pm

Holiday Sing-Along with Pianist Jim Mastronardy Sunday, December 13 @ 2 pm

Sing along with pianist Jim Mastronardy as he plays all your favorite tunes! Lyrics will be provided so everyone can join in on the fun. Refreshments will be served.

Harpist

Sunday, February 14 @ 2 pm

Libby Richman Jazz Concert Sunday, February 28 @ 2 pm

Tuesday Movies

Tuesdays @ 1 pm

Join us each Tuesday for a new movie in the Panasonic meeting room. Refreshments will be served. Check our website or local papers for the month's upcoming films.

Programs Continued



Needleworkers Roundtable

Bring your knitting, crocheting, embroidering, quilting, and needlepoint projects! Enjoy good conversation and share your work.

2nd Tuesday of each month @ 6:30 pm

Photography Club

This group focuses on the art of photography. Whether you are experienced or novice, all are welcome to participate.

Bring work to class.

4th Wednesday of each month @ 6:30 pm





Book Discussion Groups

We invite readers to meet informally to discuss a different book each month. The library will supply the copies of the selected book. Ask at the front desk for the current title.

Afternoon Book Group
2nd Monday of the month
1:00 pm

Evening Book Group

3rd Thursday of the month - 7:00 pm Please contact the Director if you are interested in the Evening Book Group.



Programs and Events for Children

Annual Holiday Magic Show Tuesday, December 8 @ 3:30 pm Ages 4 and up - please register



Join us for an afternoon of fun and magic with Justin Style, slight of hand magician. This show promises to be filled with magical surprises. Not to be missed!

Children's Art Month Artist Reception Thursday, January 7 @ 6:30 pm

The artists' reception for December's Children's Art Month recognizes all the participants in the library's annual show. Prizes to be awarded and refreshments will be served. All family and friends of the young artists are welcome to attend.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

Chess Tournament for Kids

Saturday, January 23, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Ages 7 –12, please register

Calling all chess players! Join us for an all day chess tournament for kids. All levels of knowledge are welcome to challenge others in a day full of fun and skill.



Storyteller Veona Thomas presents African Folktales for Children

Sunday, February 7 @ 2:00 pm

(snow date: Sun., Feb. 21 @ 2:00 pm)

Ages 4 and up, families are welcome to attend



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African and Caribbean folk tales come alive at the library! Celebrate Black History Month with storyteller Veona Thomas. She will be presenting multicultural folktales from Africa, the Caribbean and all around the world using an assortment of hand puppets, visual aids and African instruments.

Lap-Tots

10:00-10:30 am 1st and 3rd Fridays

Ages birth - 2 1/2 years

An interactive program for babies and their caregivers with rhymes, songs, instruments, puppets and more! **Registration is required.**

Rhyme Time

1:00-2:00 pm, Wednesday and Thursday Ages 2 1/2 - 3 years

A program for children and their caregivers that brings together stories, music, creativity, and socialization skills.

Space is limited and registration is required.

Extended Story Hour

9:15-11:00 am, Mon. & Wed. - Tues. & Thurs. Ages 3 - 3 1/2

The purpose of the Extended Story Hour program is to introduce children to the wonderful world of libraries. This program will help children develop good listening, social, and motor skills, gain separation from their caregivers, and interact with their peers.

Space is limited and registration is required.

Chess Club for Kids

3:30 - 5:00 pm, ages 7-12 3rd Thursday of the month

Join the Chess Club, learn to play the game and challenge others! Instructor: Peter Croce

Reading Buddies

3:30 - 4:00 pm, ages 3-7 3rd Friday of the month

Bring your children to the library to be read to by middle and high school volunteers. The students will read to your children and give you a chance to browse through the library.



December is Children's Art Month

Get your pens, pencils, paints, and imagination ready! All Secaucus children are welcome to display their art at the library throughout the nonth of December in the Panasonic Meeting Room.

All types of art are welcome

paintings, drawings, sculpture, photography, Crafts, etc.

Prizes awarded in each grade Category: Pre-K & K, 1-3rd, 4-6th, 7-9th, and 10-12th

Artwork will be on display from December 1st-30th. Please bring artwork beginning on **Tuesday**, **December 1st**. All pictures and photos must be framed or mounted before being brought to the library. Put name, grade, and phone number on the back of each piece.

Artist reception is Friday, January 8th at 7 p.m.

Children's Art Month is sponsored by the Friends of the Library

Free Museum Admission for Families

The library now offers family passes to the **American Museum of Natural History** and the **Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum** for Secaucus residents.

Visit for FREE!

- The pass is available through first come, first served reservations.
- You must be at least 18 years old and hold a Secaucus Library card in good standing in order to use the pass.
- Deposits are required.
- For more information, contact the office of the Director

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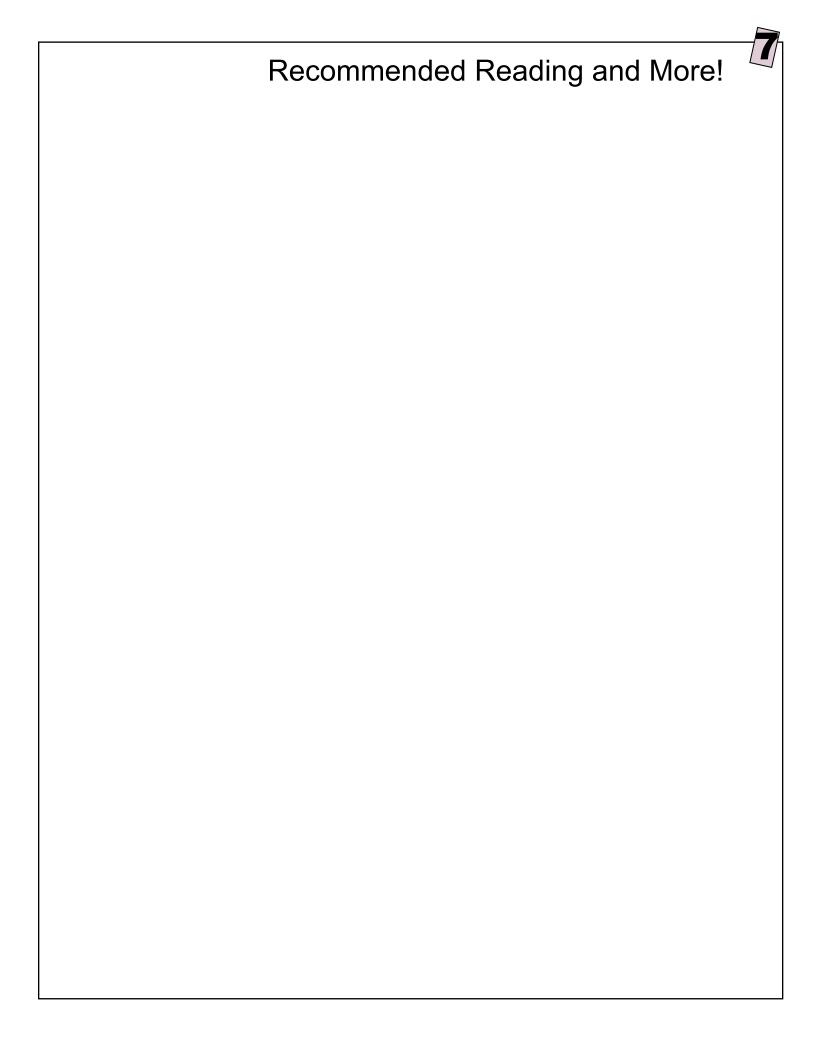


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Even if the Secaucus Public Library's doors are closed, you are never without access to our great services. Our new and improved website gives you access to the library 24/7. Search the library's catalog and request items from home, register for an upcoming program and receive email reminders, discover a wealth of information through online resources and databases, have a live librarian answer your question, stream music, download an audiobook to your iPod, and so much more! There's always something new to discover on our site.

Everyday, hundreds of people visit **http://secaucus.bccls.org** to find out what the Secaucus Public Library and Business Resource Center can do for them. Isn't it time for you to find out too?



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Board of Trustees' Meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 7:00 pm Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 7:00 pm Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 7:00 pm

Artist of the Month

December Children's Art Month **January February**

Please view their work in the Panasonic Meeting Room.

Visit Our Website http://secaucus.bccls.org

Find a wealth of information on our website. Use the online catalog, check your card, view upcoming programs and events, reference resources, register for programs, log on to our databases, find homework help links for children and teens, and much more!

New events and features are being added all the time so check our site often!